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Organization

1. [] organization and location of Soviet Army units is included in the attached charts. /See Enclosures A-D./

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2. []
 - (a) Standard, new or anti-tank weapons
 - (b) Ammunition
 - (c) Vehicles or armored vehicles
 - (d) Marksmanship or firing techniques
 - (e) Organic army aviation

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3. [] method [] for the prevention of mass trench foot in winter warfare is to make frequent changes of the footwraps (portyanki).

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Supply and Maintenance

4. The following equipment was issued to medical officers:

- 1 officer's belt (leather)
- 1 pistol holster (leather)
- 1 7.62-mm TT1933 "Tokarev" pistol, 16 rounds ammunition
- 1 officer's field bag with map case

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5. The clothing issued to medical officers was as follows:

- 1 full dress uniform (1 every 4 years)
- 1 khaki coat with high collar (1 every 3 years)
- 1 pr dark blue wool trousers (1 pr per year)
- 1 summer (cotton) field officers' shirt (1 per year)
- 1 cap with visor (summer and winter)(1 every 3 years)
- 1 winter cap with earflaps (1 every 4 years)
- 1 raincoat (1 every 3 years)
- 1 wool overcoat (1 every 3 years)
- 1 pr kid leather boots (kid and cowhide boots issued alternately every year)
- 1 pr cowhide boots
- 2 pr summer underwear (2 pr per year)
- 2 pr winter underwear (2 pr per year)
- 2 pr wool foot wraps (portyanki)(2 pr per year)
- 2 pr (complete) shoulderboards (2 pr per year)

All items of clothing are the officer's personal property and need not be turned in either for salvage or upon discharge. No inspection of clothing or weapons was performed

enlisted men salvage their clothing and undergo weapon and clothing inspections

When a soldier is discharged he retains only the uniform he is wearing.

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- Medical Administration Hq of GFG in POTSDAM (5224UL1304E)

Hq of Medical Administration
of
GORG in POTSDAM



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~~SECRET~~/SECURITY INFORMATIONMedical Administration Hq of GOFQ in POTSDAM (5224N-1304E)Legend

1. The Medical Administration Hq of GOFQ in POTSDAM comprised the following officers:

Commanding General	-	Brig Gen
Deputy CO and Medical Administrator	-	Col
Zampolit (Political Deputy)	-	Col
Chief of Medical Staff	-	Lt Col (this officer controls all medical activities of GOFQ)

Chief of Mobilization Section	-	Unk
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Note: The Mobilization Section is a top secret office since many medical officers asking each other about it but no one seemed to know who is in charge of it or its functions.

Secret Documents Section	-	Lt
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Chief of Medical Supplies	-	Lt Col (this officer is in charge and responsible for all medical supplies of GOFQ)
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Awards Section	-	Unk
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Note: The Awards Section keeps records on all medical personnel who are entitled to receive medals. Officers and EM are entitled to a medal of merit upon serving 10 years and the Order of the Red Star upon completion of 15 years service. This section issues medals to medical personnel.

Leave Authorization Section	-	Unk
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Note: The Leave Authorization Section issues leaves to the USSR to medical personnel only (military and Soviet civilians of GOFQ). The section recommends leaves of medical personnel to higher headquarters of GOFQ and, upon approval of the higher headquarters, issues the leaves.

Patients do not receive their leaves or medals from medical units. They receive them at their respective units. The Medical Administration can not authorize leaves to patients.

the Medical Administration Hq had many other sections

2. See Annex 2 for information on the General Military Hospital of POTSDAM, subordinated to the Medical Administration Hq of GOFQ in POTSDAM.

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3. See Annex 3 for information on the Main Dental Clinic in POTSDAM, subordinated to the Medical Administration Hq of GOFG in POTSDAM.

4. See Annex 4 for information on Medical Supply Depot in FUERSTENWALDE, (5222N-1404E) subordinated to the Medical Administration Hq of GOFG in POTSDAM.

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5. Medical Criminal Board of Examiners: Its function is to examine and determine sickness or death due to unnatural causes and to report such to the Kommandatura or Counterintelligence Office.

6. General Hospital of BERNITZ

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7. General Out-Patient Clinic of POTSDAM

its T/O&E was as follows:

Commanding Officer	- Lt Col
Chief of Surgical Section	- Maj (staff & functions unk)
Chief of Therapeutic Section	- Maj (staff & functions unk)
Chief of Skin Diseases & Venereal Section	- Maj (staff & functions unk)
Chief of Secret Documents Section	- Lt (staff & functions unk)
Chief of Supply Section	- Capt (staff & functions unk)
Chief of Registration Section	- Soviet civilian (female)
Garage: 2 drivers - 1 Soviet soldier and 1 Soviet civilian (male)	
1 passenger car (model unk)	
1 ambulance (model unk)	

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General Military Hospital of GCPG in POTSDAM
(52248-13048)

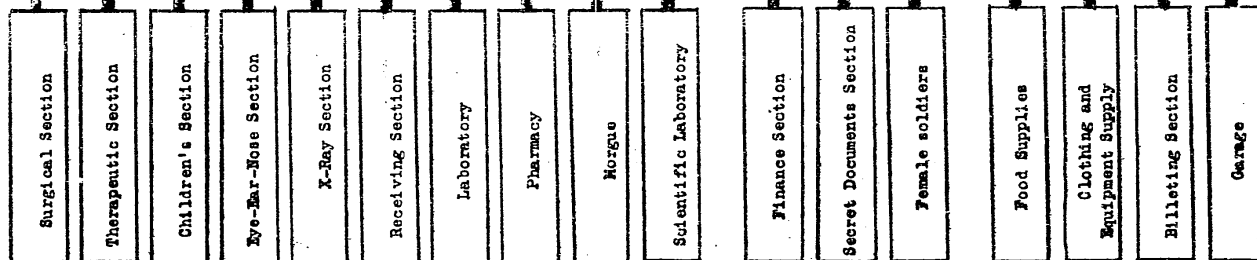
Hq of General Military
1. Hospital

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2. Political Deputy

Chief Medical
3. Officer

Chief of Medical &
4. General Supplies



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General Military Hospital of GOFG in FOTSDAM (5224N-1304E)Legend

1. Headquarters CO - Col
2. Zampolit Deputy CO - Lt Col (this officer is also deputy to the CO, and the Chief Medical Officer and Chief of Medical Supplies are subordinated to him)
3. Chief Medical Officer - Lt Col

Subordinated to the Chief Medical Officer are the following:

Chief of Surgical Section - Lt Col

Chief Surgeon - Maj

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Note: In this section there were also various assistants (Soviet male and female civilians)

Chief of Therapeutic Section - Lt Col (staff and functions unk)

Chief of Children's Section - Unk (staff and functions unk)

Eye-Ear-Nose Section - Unk (staff and functions unk)

X-Ray Section - Unk (staff and functions unk)

Receiving Section - Soviet civilian - female (staff and functions unk)

Note: This section makes the diagnosis and determines disease.

Laboratory - Unk (staff and functions unk)

Pharmacy - Lt

Assistant - Lt

Note: This section also has various assistants

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Morgue - Unk (staff and functions unk)

Scientific Laboratory - Unk (staff and functions unk)

Subordinated to the Political Deputy and to the CO are the following:

Chief of Finance Section - Maj

Assistant - Soviet civilian (female)

Chief of Secret Documents Section - Lt

Assistant - 1 Soviet civilian (male)

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Female soldiers (number unk): These work in various wards of the hospital and are directly subordinated to the Political Deputy and CO of the hospital.

Notes: [redacted] there are female soldiers in medical units. The first group of them arrived in the Sov Zone of Germany in August or September 1951. [redacted]

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In 1951 (month unk) the Voenkomats called females (age approximately 20-21 years) and asked for enlistments in the army for 3 years service in the Sov Zone of Germany. The Voenkomats told them that while in the Sov Zone of Germany they would receive the following benefits: Good quarters, good food, good pay, privileges of Soviet civilians in the Sov Zone of Germany, such as permission to go to town on off-duty hours, wear civilian dresses, etc. The Voenkomats also told them that they would wear uniforms but would actually be treated as Soviet civilian females. [redacted]

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[redacted] dissatisfaction with the Voenkomats' promises [redacted] they were not the truth, except for the pay which the female soldiers received and which amounted to 300 East Marks per month. As for the rest of the promises, they were not kept. The restrictions for female soldiers were the same as for male soldiers in every respect. They had to undergo training the same as male soldiers, except that they did not train with weapons and were not equipped with them. [redacted]

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4. Chief of Medical & General Supplies for the Hospital - Maj

Subordinated to the Chief of Medical & General Supplies are the following:

Chief of Food Supplies	- Lt (in charge of officers, EM messes and general food supply)
Assistant	- Lt
2 bakers	- Soviet civilians (male)
4 cooks	- Soviet civilians (female)
3 waitresses	- German (female)
3 dishwashers	- German (female)
Kitchen help	- Soviet civilians (female-number unk)
2 supply room workers	- Soviet civilians (female)
Chief of Clothing & Equipment	- Lt
Assistants	- 1 clerk (Soviet civilian-female) 1 worker (Soviet civilian-female)
Billeting Officer & CO of Female Soldiers	- Lt (staff and functions unk)
Garage	- 1 passenger car (type unk) 1 driver (Soviet civilian - male)

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- 1 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton truck (type unk)
- 1 driver (Soviet soldier)

[redacted] at the present time there are approximately 250 beds in use in the Children's, Therapeutic, Surgical and Eye-Ear-Nose Sections, and that in the event of an emergency the hospital could expand to accommodate 1,000 beds.

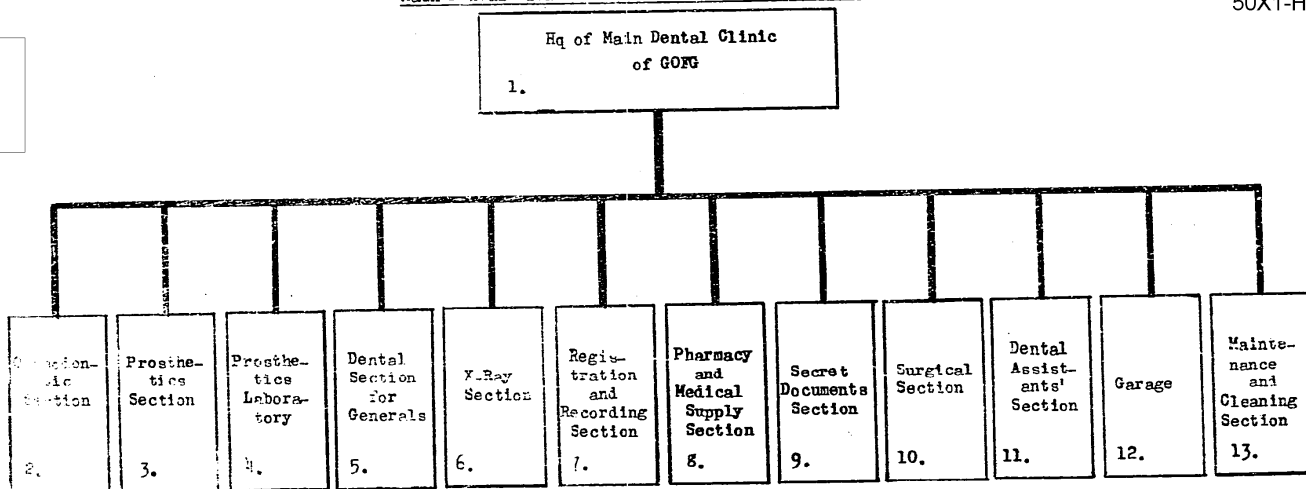
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[redacted] approximately 200 people are employed in it [redacted] about 90% of them are either military or Soviet civilian personnel and about 10% German.

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ANNEX 3
Main Dental Clinic of GORG in POTSDAM (5224X-13042)

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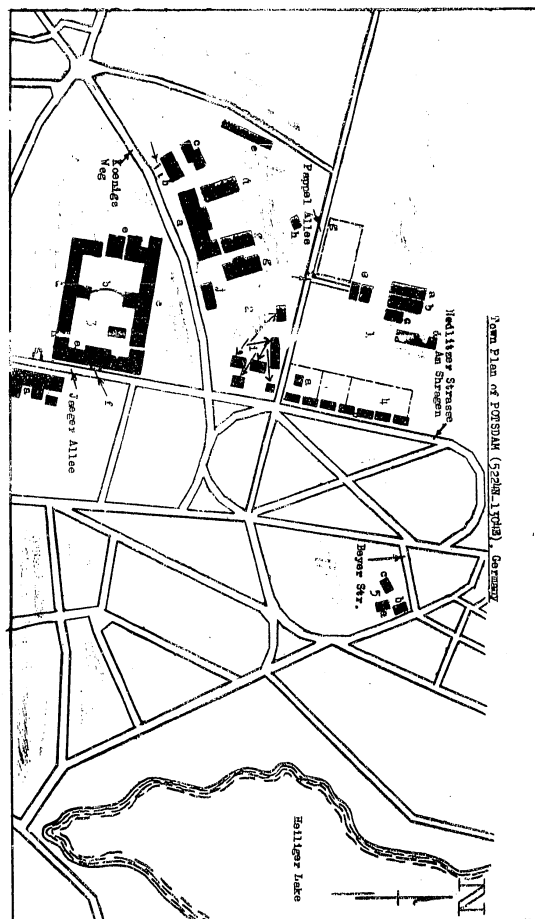
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Note: No specific number of square meters were assigned as living quarters for officers in medical units - only a room per person. In some cases there were two persons assigned to a room. 7 officers of the Main Dental Clinic lived in building B (See sketch of POTSDAM - Annex 4).

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Town Plan of POTSDAM (52245-13047). GermanyLegend1. 1st Military Compound of POTSDAM - Office of CG of GCHQ

- a. Hq of CG of Rear Services of GCHQ: two-story gray brick building, approximately 45 x 20 m
- b. Officers' personnel section of Rear Services of GCHQ: two-story gray brick building, approximately 45 x 20 m
- c. Medical administration building of GCHQ: three-story gray brick structure, approximately 40 x 20 m
- d. Quartermaster administration building of GCHQ: two-story gray brick structure, approximately 45 x 20 m
- e. Main gate guardhouse: one-story gray brick building (size unk); there were two men on guard constantly; at times a counter-intelligence or kommandature officer made check
- f. Entrance to 1st Military Compound on Pappel Allee
- g. Athletic field

The compound is fenced in on the side of Jäger Allee by a stone wall 2 1/2 m high.

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2. General Military Hospital of GCHQ in POTSDAM

- a. Surgical and Therapeutic Wards, and Pharmacy: three-story red brick building, approximately 70-75 x 20 m; the basement is used as storage for clothing and equipment
- b. Main entrance to the hospital, and reception room: three-story red brick building, approximately 45 x 25 m
- c. Kitchen for patients:
it contained a specially-
- d. Eye-Ear-Nose Section: one-story red brick building, 60 x 20 m
- e. Headquarters of the hospital, theatre, lecture hall, library, meeting-hall, etc: one story red brick building, approximately 80 x 25 m; this structure was utilized by members of the hospital (officers and EM) and by the patients.
- f. Officers' mess, kitchen and food storage: one-story red brick building, approximately 50 x 35 m
- g. Children's Section: one-story red brick building, approximately 35 x 25 m
- h. Anatomical Section (morgue): one-story red brick building, 30 x 20m
- i. Billets for female workers who are working in the hospital as orderlies, kitchen-helpers, doctors' assistants, housekeepers, etc.: one of the houses was utilized as a laboratory for the purpose of conducting various experiments

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in scientific research on dogs

- j. Officers billets: two-story red brick building, approximately 35 x 20 m

The compound is surrounded by a stone wall and metal fence 2½ m high; approximately 3/4 of the wall is of stone, and about 1/4 of some sort of metal.

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3. Signal Regiment and Guardhouse for Officers and EM of GOFB in POTSDAM

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- a. Soldiers' barracks: three or four-story gray brick building approximately 100 m long (width of barracks and number of soldiers quartered in them unk). the building houses EM

- b. Arch: approximately 12 m high of gray brick construction, connecting buildings c. and d.

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- c. Guardhouse for officers and EM of POTSDAM garrison: consists of various small prison-like rooms. guardhouse for assault on his CO and was told by various officers that it is an old German military guardhouse; the cells are divided as follows: one for a single person, one for two persons, one for three persons, and four for five persons. There are usually approximately 20 officers and 20 EM in the guardhouse. The guards consist of 1 Sr Lt and 6 EM - usually one guard at the post and the others in the office.

- d. Unidentified building of gray brick construction

- e. Unidentified building of gray brick construction

- f. Main entrance to soldiers' barracks (a. above)

- g. Entrance for vehicles (unguarded)

- h. Main entrance for vehicles into compound - one soldier on guard duty twenty-four hours a day

4. 3d Military Compound of POTSDAM

The compound contains billets for Soviet female soldiers of GOFB, and the Kommandatura and Counterintelligence Section for interrogation of Germans.

- a. Kommandatura Section: Two-story red brick building, with cellar, approximately 30 x 30 m

Note: This section issues passes for entrance into 1st and 3d Military Compounds. It is also a Counterintelligence Section where Germans are interrogated for various reasons.

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there are prison cells in the cellar.

- b. Billets for Soviet female soldiers: seven similar two-story yellow brick buildings, approximately 30 x 30 m.

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the compound

was surrounded by a wooden fence 2 1/2 m high.

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5. Main Dental Clinic of GOU A: POTSDAM

- a. Dental clinic: Two-story gray-yellow brick building, with cellar, approximately 45 x 30 m
- b. Officers billets: Two-story old gray brick building, approximately 35 x 25 m; also contained quarters for night watchman and his wife
- c. Garage: Gray brick building, approximately 30 x 20 m, accommodating one 4-passenger car (German), surrounded by a fence, partly wooden and partly metal, 1-1 1/2 m high.

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